

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

Meeting Date: August 16, 2006

Division: Housing & Community

Bulk Item: Yes X No     

Department: Housing & Community Development

Staff Contact Person: James R. "Reggie" Paros

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**AGENDA ITEM WORDING:** Approval of resolution regarding the waiver of building, permitting and other fees for affordable housing developments by non-profit organizations or development or redevelopment projects of ten (10) units or greater

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**ITEM BACKGROUND:** See attached Additional Information Memo

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**PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION:** On May 18, 2005, Board approved the creation of the Workforce Housing Committee.

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**CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:** N/A

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:** Approval

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**TOTAL COST:** N/A

**BUDGETED:** Yes      No     

**COST TO COUNTY:**                     

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**                     

**REVENUE PRODUCING:** Yes      No      N/A **AMOUNT PER MONTH**      **Year**     

**APPROVED BY:** County Attorney YES OMB/Purchasing N/A Risk Management N/A

**DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL:** James R. "Reggie" Paros

**DOCUMENTATION:** Included X Not Required     

**DISPOSITION:**                                     

**AGENDA ITEM #**

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MEMO**

TO: Monroe County Board of County Commissioners

FROM: James R. "Reggie" Paros, Director  
Housing and Community Development  
Florida Keys Marathon Airport Manager

SUBJECT: Discussion on possible waiver of building permitting and other fees for  
affordable housing developments

DATE: August 1, 2006

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The Workforce Housing Task Force has determined that developing workforce and affordable housing has become more difficult and more costly in Monroe County. Any inducement that the County can provide for workforce housing might be the difference in the ability for a development to proceed. Many other communities waive building, permitting and other fees for affordable housing projects.

JRP/sd

**RESOLUTION NO.       -2006**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MONROE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGARDING THE WAIVER OF BUILDING, PERMITTING AND OTHER  
FEES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS BY NON-PROFIT  
ORGANIZATIONS OR DEVELOPMENT OR REDEVELOPMENT PROJECTS  
OF TEN (10) UNITS OR GREATER**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners has empanelled a Workforce Housing Task Force made up of members from throughout the Florida Keys to address critical housing affordability issues facing the Florida Keys; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners makes the following findings of fact:

1. The State of Florida and all local governments in the Florida Keys recognize the need for affordable housing throughout the state and particularly in the Florida Keys where developable land for housing is extremely limited and expensive.
2. The building, permitting and other fees charged by the County are ultimately passed on to builders, developers and ultimately to renters or buyers of affordable housing.
3. To encourage the creation of affordable housing the Board of County Commissioners must take innovative actions, such as the waiver or elimination of building, permitting and other fees.
4. Without incentives for the creation of affordable housing, to include such measures as waiver of building, permitting and other fees, developers have been hesitant to create additional affordable housing in the Florida Keys; now therefore,.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA that:**

Section 1: It is resolved that all building, permitting and other fees that are charged by Monroe County for affordable housing developments by non-profit organizations or affordable housing development or redevelopment projects of ten (10) units or greater are hereby waived.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Florida at a regular meeting of said Board held on the 16th day of August, 2006.

Mayor McCoy

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Mayor Pro Tem Spehar

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Commissioner Neugent

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Commissioner Patton

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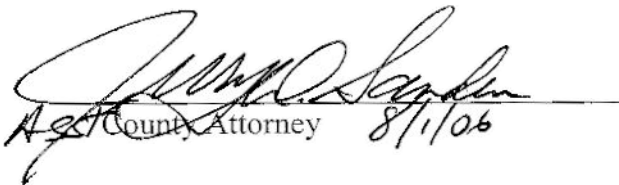
**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

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Mayor/Chairman

ATTEST: Danny L. Kohlage, Clerk

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Deputy Clerk

Approved as to form:

  
County Attorney 8/1/06